(c) As per available information, the present strength of armed naxalite cadres is around 7200. Parts of 76 districts in 9 States, through in varying degrees, are badly affected by naxal violence. Available reports suggest that the naxalite groups have been raising funds mainly through extortion and levy/cess on sale/movement of forest produce and other commodities.

Compensation to labourers died/injured at Jasola, Delhi

1696. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of labourers who lost their lives and were seriously injured at the under construction mall site at Jasola Vihar in South Delhi on 24th December, 2005, when the loose earth piled up near the site caved in;

(b) whether any compensation was paid by Delhi Administration or by the persons whose negligence caused the tragedy;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of other action taken for the relief and rehabilitation of the affected workers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Twelve laboruers have lost their lives in the incident. Eleven of the labourers who lost their lives belonged to District Malda, West Bengal and one to District Jamoi, Bihar. Two persons sustained minor injuries during rescue operations.

(b) to (d) Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi has sanctioned ex-gratia relief of Rs. 1,00,000/- to each of the next of kin of the deceased labourers. This has been forwarded to the District authorities, Malda, West Bengal for distribution to legal heirs. The details in respect of the deceased labourer belonging to District Magistrate. Besides the compensation sanctioned by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, land owner M/s India Colonisers Private Limited and the construction contactor firm M/s New Age Buiidcon Private Limited have deposited some compensation with Commissioner for Workmen's Compensation, Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi. The

total amount of this compensation amounting to Rs. 40,76,799/- will be released by the Labour Department of Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi to the legal claimants of the deceased through the Commissioners for Workmen's Compensation of concerned District of West Bengal and Bihar.

Bangladeshi immigrants living under false names

1697. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of Bangladeshi immigrants are residing in various parts of the country under false names and have managed to get citizenship of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how Government propose to counter this dangerous trend which besides eating into the valuable resources of the country also poses a serious security threat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The presence of illegal Bangladeshi migrants in various parts of the country has been reported. Since such persons do not enter the country legally with proper travel documents, no exact number can be given about them.

(c) Various measures have been taken by the Government to curb the problem of illegal migration of Bangladeshi nationals into the country. These include, *inter alia,* raising of additional Battalions of Border Security Force, reduction of gap between the border outposts, intensification of patrolling both on the land and the riverine border, accelerated programme of construction of border roads and fencing, increase in the number of outposts and provision of modern surveillance equipments.

Besides, the State Governments/UT Administrations have been empowered under section 3(2) (c) of the Foreigners Act, 1946 to detect and deport foreign nationals illegally staying in India. Also, the matter has been taken up diplomatically with the Government of Bangladesh at various levels.